

Campbell
Canady
Cannon
Castle
Chabot
Chambliss
Chenoweth-Hage
Coble
Coburn
Collins
Combest
Condit
Cook
Cooksey
Cox
Cubin
Cunningham
Davis (VA)
Deal
DeLay
DeMint
Diaz-Balart
Dickey
Doolittle
Dreier
Duncan
Dunn
Ehlers
Ehrlich
Emerson
English
Everett
Ewing
Fletcher
Foley
Fossella
Fowler
Franks (NJ)
Frelinghuysen
Gallegly
Ganske
Gekas
Gibbons
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Gilman
Goode
Goodlatte
Goodling
Goss
Graham
Granger
Green (WI)
Gutknecht
Hall (TX)
Hansen
Hastert
Hastings (WA)
Hayes
Hayworth
Hefley
Hergert

NAYS—207

Abercrombie
Allen
Andrews
Baca
Baird
Baldacci
Baldwin
Barcia
Barrett (WI)
Becerra
Bentsen
Berkley
Berman
Berry
Bishop
Blagojevich
Blumenauer
Bonior
Borski
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Brady (PA)
Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
Callahan
Capps
Capuano
Cardin
Carson
Clay
Clayton
Clement
Clyburn
Conyers

Hill (MT)
Hilleary
Hobson
Hoekstra
Horn
Houghton
Hulshof
Hunter
Hutchinson
Hyde
Isakson
Istook
Jenkins
Johnson (CT)
Johnson, Sam
Jones (NC)
Kasich
Kelly
King (NY)
Kingston
Knollenberg
Kolbe
Kuykendall
LaHood
Largent
Latham
LaTourette
Lazio
Leach
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (KY)
Linder
LoBiondo
Lucas (OK)
Manzullo
McCrery
McInnis
McIntosh
McKeon
Metcalf
Mica
Miller (FL)
Miller, Gary
Moran (KS)
Myrick
Nethercutt
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nussle
Ose
Oxley
Packard
Pease
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Pombo
Portman
Pryce (OH)
Radanovich

Ramstad
Regula
Reynolds
Riley
Rogan
Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roukema
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Salmon
Saxton
Scarborough
Schaffer
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherwood
Shimkus
Shuster
Simpson
Skeen
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Souder
Spence
Stearns
Stump
Sununu
Sweeney
Talent
Tancred
Tauzin
Taylor (NC)
Terry
Thomas
Thornberry
Thune
Tiahrt
Toomey
Upton
Vitter
Walden
Walsh
Wamp
Watkins
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson
Wolf
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

Gutierrez
Hall (OH)
Hastings (FL)
Hill (IN)
Hilliard
Hinchee
Hinojosa
Hoeffel
Holden
Holt
Hooley
Hostettler
Hoyer
Inslee
Jackson (IL)
Jefferson
John
Johnson, E. B.
Jones (OH)
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kennedy
Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kind (WI)
Klecza
Klink
Kucinich
LaFalce
Lampson
Lantos
Larson
Lee
Levin
Lewis (GA)

Lipinski
Lofgren
Lucas (KY)
Luther
Maloney (CT)
Maloney (NY)
Markey
Mascara
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McGovern
McIntyre
McKinney
McNulty
Meehan
Meek (FL)
Meeks (NY)
Menendez
Millender-
McDonald
Miller, George
Minge
Mink
Moakley
Mollohan
Moore
Moran (VA)
Morella
Murtha
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal
Oberstar
Obey

Ackerman
Archer
Bonilla
Crane
Dixon
Greenwood

Oliver
Ortiz
Owens
Pallone
Pascarell
Pastor
Paul
Payne
Pelosi
Peterson (MN)
Phelps
Pickett
Pomeroy
Price (NC)
Rahall
Rangel
Reyes
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Rush
Sabo
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sanford
Sawyer
Scott
Serrano
Sherman
Shows
Sisisky
Skeltton

NOT VOTING—17

Jackson-Lee
(TX)
Lowey
Martinez
McCollum
McDermott

□ 0019

So the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded:

□

COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF HON. LOIS CAPPS, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) laid before the House the following communication from Sharon Siegel, District Director of the Honorable LOIS CAPPS, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
March 14, 2000.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a hearing subpoena for testimony issued by the Superior Court for Santa Barbara County, California.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

SHARON SIEGEL,
District Director.

□

□ 0020

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on H. Con. Res. 290, the concurrent resolution just agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Connecticut?

There was no objection.

□

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2000 TO FILE REPORT ON H.R. 7, EDUCATION SAVINGS AND SCHOOL EXCELLENCE ACT OF 1999

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Ways and Means have until midnight, Friday, March 24, 2000 to file a report on H.R. 7, the Education Savings and School Excellence Act of 1999.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

□

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2000

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

□

HOUR OF MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2000

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 27, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

□

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

□

CLINTON-GORE FAILED ENERGY CRISIS

(Mr. STEARNS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Companies, or OPEC, in its capacity as an oil cartel or monopoly, has been a

critical factor in driving prices of oil from approximately \$11 a barrel in 1998 to a high of \$30 a barrel last month. These are levels that we have not seen since the Persian Gulf War.

Foreign countries that export oil to the United States have been engaged in a price-fixing scheme which has driven the average price at the pump to almost \$2 in some parts of this country. Yet, the Clinton-Gore administration has done nothing to stop this, even with the OPEC strategy of price control. Even Energy Secretary Bill Richardson admits his administration, his department, was "caught napping."

Once again, the leadership in the White House has been lax, and foreign nations have taken advantage of our apparent weakness.

We passed a plan yesterday with Republican leadership. So I urge the administration to adopt our plan and fight this oil cartel.

LA BELLA MEMORANDUM

Mr. Speaker, last week, someone at the Justice Department leaked the La Bella memo to the press. The La Bella memo is a 94-page document calling on the Attorney General to appoint an Independent Counsel to investigate the White House. The memo also spells out all of the ways that Janet Reno and her political advisors avoided any thorough investigation of the 1996 campaign fundraising scandal. A year after he was brought in to head the campaign fundraising investigation, La Bella concluded that Janet Reno and her political advisors had used "gamesmanship" and "legal contortions" to avoid a thorough investigation. He also concluded that the result was a double standard for the President, the Vice President, the First Lady and Harold Ickes, protecting them from any real investigation.

There is something seriously wrong at the Justice Department when career prosecutors are not allowed to follow the facts wherever they lead. The result is an investigation that has no credibility. There are numerous examples of the failed investigation:

The President and Vice President were never thoroughly questioned. Can you imagine—the Justice Department failed to ask the President a single question about James Riady and foreign money. They didn't ask the Vice President any questions about the Buddhist Temple fundraiser. Unbelievable!

The Justice Department has apparently never asked the White House to turn over hundreds of thousands of e-mails that have never been reviewed.

Central figures in the scandal, like John Huang and Charlie Trie, have received light sentences without giving up useful information to the Justice Department.

Mr. Speaker, we have a right to know whether the Justice Department has done a thorough and credible job investigating the 1996 campaign fundraising scandal. The Justice Department has already leaked the La Bella memo to the press. They should now turn it over to congress, so that we can see if Janet Reno has allowed her career prosecutors to do their job.

□

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ACKERMAN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for March 21 and the balance of the week on account of official business.

Mr. VENTO (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for after 5 p.m. today and the balance of the month on account of health reasons.

Mr. QUINN (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for after 3 p.m. today until March 31 on account of medical reasons.

Mr. MCHUGH (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for after 2 p.m. today on account of medical reasons.

□

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 21 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 27, 2000, at 2 p.m.

□

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6741. A letter from the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Food Additives for Use in Meat and Poultry Products: Sodium Diacetate, Sodium Acetate, Sodium Lactate and Potassium Lactate [Docket No. 99-028DF] received January 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6742. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Agriculture Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Vidalia Onions Grown in Georgia; Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV00-955-1 FR] received February 11, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6743. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida and Imported Grapefruit; Relaxation of the Minimum Size Requirement for Red Seedless Grapefruit [Docket No. FV99-905-6 FIR] received February 11, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6744. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Field Study; Definition, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6745. A letter from the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, transmitting an updated compilation of historical information and statistics regarding rescissions proposed by the executive branch and rescissions enacted by the Congress through October 1, 1999; (H. Doc. No. 106-217); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

6746. A letter from the Executive Director, Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Loan Guarantee Decision; Availability of En-

vironmental Information (RIN: 3003-ZA00) received February 15, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6747. A letter from the Executive Director, Emergency Steel Loan Guarantee Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Loan Guarantee Decision; Application Deadlines (RIN: 3003-ZA00) received February 15, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6748. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 13-291, "Tax Conformity Temporary Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6749. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-290, "Closing of Public Alley in Square 6159, S.O. 98-125, Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6750. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-289, "Recreation Volunteer Background Check and Screening Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6751. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-287, "Long-Term Care Insurance Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6752. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-273, "Muhammad Mosque No.4 Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6753. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-272, "Victory Memorial Baptist Church Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6754. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-271, "Compensating-Use Tax Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6755. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-270, "Bread for the City & Zachaeus Free Clinic Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6756. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-269, "University of the District of Columbia Board of Trustees Residency Requirement Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6757. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-268, "Litter Control Administration Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6758. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-267, "Underground Facilities Protection Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.